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A telegram from Chinkiang dated Feb. 19, informs the North China Daily News that the Hamburg-American steamer Ascania has run down the German hulk Bremen. The master of the hulk was saved, but many Chinese were drowned, and heavy damage was done. The Ascania was bound down the river. She lost steering way and crashed into the starboard bow of the hulk. The hulk sank in the fairway in front of another hulk.

THE OPIUM COMMISSION.

The eighth session of the Commission opened at 10.30 a.m. on Feb. 18. After the President had announced the names of the delegates appointed as a Committee on International Agreements affecting the traffic in Opium, Mr. Mackenzie King presented a Report on the Opium question in Canada.

The Chinese report then came up for discussion, but elicited no further remarks. Monsieur Cornillon, on behalf of the Revenue Committee, described the lines of investigation which it was proposed to follow, and pointed out the necessity for reducing all statistics to uniform units. For example, it was suggested that all figures should be reduced to English currency, and that measures of surface, weight, etc., should be expressed in metric terms. All figures furnished should cover the years 1905/7. Some doubt was expressed by delegates as to the possibility of changing returns for fiscal periods into statistics for the calendar years.

Discussion ensued on a suggestion made by Mr. Tang Kuo-tai, that a Committee should be appointed to investigate the subject of Anti-opium remedies, and to determine the best means of eradicating the opium habit without recourse to the actual drug or any of its derivatives. No decision was arrived at, and the matter was left over for further discussion.

The Japanese and American delegates put a number of questions with reference to the Persian and Indian reports respectively, answers to which will be laid on the table at the next sitting.

The ninth session of the Commission opened at 10.30 a.m. on Feb. 19th with a renewal of the discussion on Mr. Tang Kuo-tai's proposition, that a Committee should be appointed to consider the medical aspects of the opium question, and the best means of eradicating the opium habit without recourse to the actual drug or its derivatives. The Rt. Hon. Sir Cecil Clement Smith expressed sympathy with the object which Mr. Tang had in view, and stated that he was not opposed to any practical inquiry into the subject, but he considered that the Commission did not possess among its members a sufficient number of scientific men to form a committee of the kind suggested by Mr. Tang, and the investigation from a medical point of view of anti-opium remedies and of the properties and effects of opium and its products should be recommended by such Delegation to its own Government. He moved an amendment to this effect.

Dr. Roseler and H. E. Tannazir Miyako, supporting Mr. Tang's proposition, considered that the Commission would be incomplete were the Commission to include no reference in its report to the medical aspect of the opium question. Eventually, the amendment moved by the Rt. Hon. Sir Cecil Clement Smith was adopted by the Commission.

After the Japanese and British Delegations had replied to questions put to them by Dr. Hamilton Wright and Dr. Hanney, Monsieur Ratard, the Chief Commissioner for France, explained his attitude with regard to Mr. Tang's proposition. He quoted the correspondence between the United States and the French Governments, and pointed out that there was no suggestion therein regarding the study of the Opium question from a medical point of view. He understood that the subject was to be considered by the Commission purely from a commercial and administrative standpoint; consequently he agreed with the Rt. Hon. Sir Cecil Clement Smith as to the advisability of having the medical aspect of the opium problem to be investigated by the highest scientific and medical authorities of the two hemispheres.

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AMERICA'S COMMERCIAL
RELATIONS WITH CHINA.It is a matter for considerable surprise
and not a little wonder, when we hear
in mind the number of years the Far
East has been opened up for commercial
intercourse with Western nations, that
America, with her usual capacity for
making the most of a likely situation,
should have up to the present played
so unimportant a part as it has in an
organized sense, in relations with China,
whereas other countries have been favored in
many respects have obtained a firm
footing for themselves. The business
men in the States are, however, now
beginning to realize something of the
possibilities before them in this vast
field, and the result is that almost daily
we are hearing of endeavours to create
a better understanding and a closer
commercial relationship between the
two countries.Of course, before the desired exten-
sion of business activity can take place
there must be a thorough understand-
ing of the needs of the Orient by
America, and on this point especially
as well as on the situation generally,
Mr Amos P. WILDER, the American
Consul in Hongkong in an exhaustive
article to the *New York Herald*, has
much to say. He is optimistic that "the
organization, energy, and up-to-date-ness
which have made us so successful in
industrial America will prove irresis-
tible anywhere," but does not forget
to lay proper stress on the adverse
factors which lie hidden from view.Almost every branch of trade is touched
upon by the writer, who is at obvious
pains to indicate the most profitable
sources to be tapped. After outlining
prospects for hotel keepers and life
insurance companies, Mr WILDER men-
tions that "Chinese returned from
America are instituting department
stores. There is one in Hongkong with
receipts of nearly \$2,000 a day, and
Chinese competition is not to be
despised. Nevertheless, the one priced
store, catering to rich and poor alike,
earning and holding the confidence of
all the people and supplying them with
all grades of every known need, with hot
chocolate, baby tenders, and band of
music thrown in, is something that
only Americans can give the Orient."But there is the reverse side of the
picture to the painting of which the
inherent characteristics of the American
people largely contribute. This is how
the writer touches on this aspect of the
question:—"Yet as one contemplates
the unlikelihood of a staff of workers
from home settling down in an
Oriental city for the ten years' contented
and successful work necessary to build
up the institution one must exhibit
much scepticism as to the result." He
continues:—"It cannot be repeated too
often that the invisible factors are the
determining ones in the matter of
America's conquest of the Orient.
When the calculation on paper is
completed and the showing favourable,
then the question of the man to intro-
duce the article and to sell it to the
Chinese comes up."The Pacific liners are for ever taking
back Americans who were sent here for
a specific purpose—mechanical experts,
millers, 'hustlers,' representatives to
exploit some industry or introduce a
new line of goods. 'America is good
enough for me,' they say. 'The pay is
large, but I can earn as much at home,'
or it may be, 'Half the pay and home.'"
"Flooding Germans and easy-going
Britishers from their overcrowded home
lands surround themselves with their
household goods and a mental attitude
of content, and substitute for our
superior energy and progressive me-
thods persistence and permanence and
so do the business of the Orient."Mr WILDER instances the operations
of the Standard Oil Company as show-
ing what can be done by Americans,
and goes on to observe that "it is
rumoured that this company plans a
modern office building in Hongkong,
the nerve centre of the organization
south of Shanghai, as far south as
French China and Siam. If one goes
up it will doubtless reflect credit on the
company and the country it represents,
with not one but a series of elevators,
and not two or even four stories—the
prevailing mode—but eight or ten!""It is difficult," he says, "for an
American in the Orient to feel harshly
toward Mr. Rockefeller's big company.
It is the finest thing we have here, and
his progressive spirit and satisfactory
administration help American prestige
in the Far East. Barring the Pacific
Mail Steamship Company the Standard
Oil Company is the only large American
concern in South China manned by
Americans. With these exceptions
American trade interests are primarily
in the hands of foreigners, usually
British, and after them Germans."
There is a necessary reminder voiced
by the Consul that competition is keen
in Orient. He says:—"The British
were first in these ports and dozens of
them are here to stay. More than half
the shipping, even to our ownPhilippines, is in their hands, and they
own and operate the ships that bring
the goods. They can sell cheaply and
they have the confidence of the people.
The Germans of late years have by
plodding industry become a large
factor in many lines of foreign business,
especially textiles and metals. One finds
also Japanese 'hongs' with extensive
offices, fitted and operated exactly on
modern American-European lines, with
cheapness ever present as an inducement
to buy their goods. Often the
American Consul must write to the
American manufacturer that his prices
are not right and that he cannot hope
to get in on such a basis."Notwithstanding these adverse fac-
tors there are lines in which nature has
favored us beyond other nations, and
the enterprise of our people and their
progressiveness compel customers.
Oregon pine is in growing demand and
can be marketed as cheaply as the
Chinese fir. The Philippines have all
kinds of timber, but it will be some
years under favourable conditions before
the islands can control even the Hong-
kong market, only 650 miles away."The American boycott has faded
away. Although flour is stagnant now,
the Chinese are learning to eat bread,
and there are no bounds to the develop-
ment of flour exports from the Pacific
Coast. 'The Chinese have some mills
of their own in Shanghai. As bread is
a much more convenient provision than
rice, which must be cooked as needed,
this American industry is permanent.
It would be worth while to try American
corn on the Chinese, perhaps in the
form of hominy or hulled corn. It is a
nutritious, attractive food and our
Middle States raise corn enough for the
purpose of export."The chances for American locomotives
and equipment for the half-dozen rail-
way projects within 300 miles of Hong-
kong are not overlooked, and after
going into details in reference to other
markets awaiting development, Mr.
WILDER urges the necessity of American
pragmatism showing themselves heartily
into the matter. "It is not enough," he
says, "to write the Consul for addresses
and to lodge a catalogue with him."Further advancing this point he states:
—"It is useless to seek to sell loco-
motives and the like by long distance cor-
respondence. A concern that wishes to
do foreign business must have a depart-
ment of foreign affairs, give it attention,
be willing to spend money and to wait.
Occasionally, the Consul is able to effect
a connection between the American pro-
ducer and the South China distributor
in the smaller lines. But the field is
now ripe for exclusively American
agencies, with salesrooms, Americans in
charge, and practical demonstrations."The whole article is pregnant with
wise counsel and discriminating obser-
vations, and even those who feel that
they must dissent from some of the con-
clusions reached will be prepared to
admit that they are penned by a man
who is enthusiastic for his country's
welfare, and whose knowledge of the
situation is the direct opposite of super-
ficial.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

The Criminal Sessions have been ad-
journed until Tuesday.The Japanese battleship *Fuji*, which
recently escaped a rock off Otsu
while on her way to Tokyo, sustained very
little damage.H.E. the Governor will present the
prizes at Kowloon School on Friday, at
11 a.m. Parents and friends of pupils are
invited to be present.A course of lectures on "The Ele-
ments of Economics" will be delivered by
Mr Stuart J. Fuller, B.Sc., at the Technical
Institute, Hongkong, on Wednesday,
from 8.15 to 7 p.m., beginning to-day.We would draw the attention of our
readers to the advertisement on Page 3
announcing a two days' sale of high-grade
jewellery by Mr G. P. Lamont, at his
auction rooms in Duddell Street. The sale
will commence on Thursday, the 26th
inst., at 2.30 p.m., and will be continued
on the following day at the same hour.CHAMBERLAIN'S COUGH REMEDY
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EVERY mother should know that Chamber-
lain's Cough Remedy is perfectly
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THE YAMUATI ROBBERY.

Before the Chief Justice, Sir Francis
Piggott, at the Criminal Sessions, this
morning, Li Yau, Su Wah, Li Kam and
Lam Lai were placed in the dock charged
with armed robbery at Yamuati.
The following jury were sworn in:—
Messrs H. Grogg, foreman; G. Boulton, P.
D. Sutherland, E. J. Chapman, W. V.
Ferry, O. R. Chunnutt and E. F. Camp-
bell.The Hon. Mr W. Ross Davies, K.C.,
Attorney-General, prosecuted on behalf of
the Crown, instructed by Mr H. L. Den-
ny, J.P.
The Hon. Attorney-General said that this
was another case of armed robbery and the
prisoners were charged with breaking and
entering a shop and stealing monies to the
extent of \$4,300. That was the case in
which the unfortunate police sergeant was
killed in endeavouring to arrest one of the
robbers who was also killed in trying to
avoid arrest; but that had nothing to do
with the case. The robbery took place on
January 21 at 43 Kennedy Street, Yamuati.
The prisoners in company with other men
entered the shop between 11 and 12 o'clock
at night carrying arms and knives; they
frightened and threatened the inmates,
whom they tied together, after which they
proceeded to ransack the place, and sub-
sequently despatched.Evidence was then taken.
One prisoner was sentenced to seven
years with hard labour, two to five years
with hard labour, and all to receive
twenty-four strokes of the birch and the
other two were discharged.THE ATTACK ON A KOWLOON
HOUSE-BOY.At the Magistracy to-day, before Mr
J. R. Wood, there was a sequel to the
attack on the "boy" employed by Capt
Spink, of 5, Lochiel Terrace, Cameron
Road, Kowloon, when two natives were
placed in the dock on a charge of attempted
robbery with violence.Capt Spink said that shortly after 7 p.m.
on Monday he was lying in bed when he
heard shouts and a scuffle. He imme-
diately jumped out of bed, rushed down-
stairs, and saw two men assaulting his
"boy." The door was closed, and the
assault was taking place inside. Witness
went to the "boy's" assistance, and got
hold of both men. He, however, failed to
hold more than one of them, whom he
now identified as the first defendant.
The man who escaped ran out through
the back, with the "boy" follow-
ing him. In the meantime witness
was holding on to the other, from whom
he took an iron bar. The "boy" then
came to his assistance, and in the struggle
the defendant managed to strike the
"boy" with a hall chair, causing his nose
to bleed. Witness sent for assistance, and
Mr Lee, a neighbour, came in and bound
one of defendant's hands with his own
queue. Then Mr Lee searched the
prisoner for any firearms, and found on
him a coil of galvanised wire, also a
packet of pepper, a pocketbook, and a
tin box. Witness then went for a doctor
to attend to the "boy," who was covered
with blood. His eyes were also much in-
flamed and entirely closed, and he was
prostrate on the floor with pain.Inspector Langley, who had charge of
the case, said the only evidence he had
against the second defendant was that he
was pointed out by the first, who made a
statement which had been corroborated
in a very particular way. When brought
to the station a quantity of pepper was also
found on the second defendant. His
Hon. Worship said he would at present
discharge the second defendant, but if the
police found it necessary after making
enquiries, they could re-charge him.After further evidence the case was
adjourned.HOW A SOUTH AMERICAN MER-
CHANT WARD OFF AN
ATTACK OF PNEUMONIA.THERE is always cause for alarm when a
severe cold is accompanied by pain in
the chest. Mr H. L. Le Grange, who is
manager of a store at Jansenville, O.C.,
believes Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is
better than the prescription of a physician.
He says: "I had a boy in my employ who
had been suffering from cold and a pain in
the chest, and got so bad he had to go to
bed. I had the doctor attend him and used
several other remedies, but he got no better.
I finally tried Chamberlain's Cough Remedy,
and in a short time he was up and about
his work. We sell lots of it in the store.
For sale by all chemists and grocers."

SERBIAN AFFAIRS.

COALITION CABINET FORMED.

(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuter,
via Bombay.)LONDON, February 23.
A coalition Cabinet has been formed
at Belgrade, with M. Novakovich as
Premier.

AUSTRIA AND SERBIA.

THE SITUATION UNCHANGED.

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Ordinance 8 of 1894.)LONDON, February 23.
Despite Austrian semi-official state-
ments, the situation towards Serbia
remains unchanged. While the Govern-
ment is undeviating in its policy of
peace, the Vienna Press is excited and
resents the report that the Powers intend
making representations to Vienna.
Simultaneously the Belgrade papers
attack Russia, who they accuse of
backing up Serbia.
It is announced in Berlin that
Germany will not support the proposal
of making representations to Vienna.RETURN OF AMERICAN
FLEET.

"AMBASSADORS OF PEACE."

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Ordinance 8 of 1894.)LONDON, February 24.
When the American battleship fleet
arrived at Hampton Roads it was greeted
by enormous crowds.President Roosevelt, after reviewing
the fleet, emphasised that this was the
first battleship fleet which had circum-
navigated the globe and returned with
increased efficiency as a war machine.
The tour had been the best possible of
all ambassadors of peace.LIBERALS AND THE
NAVY.

THE SPLIT GROWING.

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Ordinance 8 of 1894.)LONDON, February 24.
The *Daily Chronicle* reverts to the
Liberal anxiety as to the Government's
naval plans, and says that alienation
from the Cabinet by some supporters is
undoubtedly growing.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

A meeting of the Legislative Council will
be held on Thursday afternoon.The Hon. Colonial Secretary will move
the following resolution:—Resolved, that
the valuation of the assets and liabilities of
the Widows and Orphans' Pension Fund
contemplated under Section 12 of the
Widows and Orphans' Pension Ordinance
1908, shall be made at the rate of 1s. 10d.
to the dollar.Hon. Mr H. E. Pollock, K.C., will
ask:—Will the Government state what
would be approximately the cost of putting
up a fixed light to indicate the south-
eastern entrance to the Capatsum Pass?
The order of the day are:—
First reading of a Bill entitled An Or-
dinance further to amend The Merchant
Shipping Ordinance, 1899.First reading of a Bill entitled An Or-
dinance to authorize for public purposes
the reclamation of certain portions of the
Crown foreshore and sea bed situate in
Hutchinson Bay in the Colony of Hongkong
and to validate such reclamation as has
heretofore taken place.Third reading of the Bill entitled An
Ordinance to amend The Magistrates
Ordinance 1890 and to effect certain other
amendments in the Criminal Law.A meeting of the Finance Committee
will be held immediately after the Council.

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HOME FINANCES.

OLD AGE PENSIONS AND THE UNEMPLOYED.

(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuters, via Bombay.)

LONDON, February 23. The Government's supplementary estimates amount to £1,104,015, and include £910,000 for Old Age Pensions (making a total of £2,100,000 to be raised for this purpose in the last quarter of the financial year) and a further sum of £100,000 for the unemployed.

TAUNTON BY-ELECTION.

UNIONIST VICTORY.

(Exclusive Service supplied by Reuters, via Bombay.)

LONDON, February 24. Polling in the Taunton by-election, caused by the resignation of Sir Edward Boyle, K.C. (C.), has resulted as follows:—

Peel (U.)... 1,978
Smith (Lab.)... 1,085
[Note.—At the General Election the figures were:—Sir E. Boyle (C.), 1,842; Mr A. Ponsonby (L.), 1,603.]

A SHANGHAI SENSATION.

SUICIDE OF WELL-KNOWN MERCHANT.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

SHANGHAI, February 24. Mr William Hoffman, principal of the firm of William Hoffman and Co., merchants and commission agents, has committed suicide by shooting himself.

THE CHINESE NAVY.

(Wah Tin Yat Po's Service.)

PEKING, February 23. It is said that Prince Su will be appointed to reorganise the Navy and will be allowed to take up no other work, Prince Yu Lung succeeding him as President of the Board of the Interior.

The Censorate suggests that all Viceroys and Governors be directed to open Navy Reorganisation Subscription lists in all the provinces.

A QUESTION OF PUBLIC MORALS.

(Wah Tin Yat Po's Service.)

PEKING, February 23. Wong Ching-wan, Councillor of the Board of Civil Establishments, having reported that the newly laid out Park in Peking is frequented by numbers of both sexes to the detriment of national customs, an Imperial Rescript has been issued ordering the Board of the Interior to strictly forbid the practice.

THE EMPEROR'S EDUCATION.

(Wah Tin Yat Po's Service.)

PEKING, February 23. The Prince Regent has directed H.E. Chang Chih-tung, that the Young Emperor's studies must be in accordance with the methods recently approved by the Board of Education, the old ways being discarded.

TO REDUCE LIKIN.

(Wah Tin Yat Po's Service.)

PEKING, February 24. The Board of Foreign Affairs has presented to the Throne a memorial by H.E. Tang Shao-yi in which he urges an increase of taxation and a decrease in the likin dues.

ITEMS AT THE COURTS.

For unlawfully anchoring their boats within the limits of the Southern Fairway two boatmen were fined \$10 each, at the Marine Court, to-day.

Three boatmen were fined \$10 each for failing to keep the yalos of their boats out of the water, while, for a similar offence nineteen had to pay a fine of \$45 amongst them.

Eleven masters of launches were charged at the Marine Court, to-day, with lying alongside Observation Street wharf, and ten were fined \$10 each and one \$15, by Commander Basil Taylor, R.N.

The case in which C. J. Merchant, a Paroo, was charged with embezzlement at Manila, and which has since been altered to an allegation of larceny while asleep, again came on at the Magistrate's Court. After hearing further evidence, the case was adjourned.

EVERY BOTTLE GUARANTEED. This is done with Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, and if you are not satisfied after using two-thirds of the bottle, returning to the doctor, return what is left and your money will be refunded. For sale by all chemists and druggists.

ROBBERY WITH VIOLENCE.

At the Criminal Sessions, this morning, the Chief Justice, Sir Francis Pigott, sentenced Lai Yau, Lai Hing, Ho Shiu Ching, Leung Ching and Cheung Kwai, who were charged with armed robbery with violence, to five years' hard labour each, the first to receive twelve strokes and the other four twenty-four strokes, the jury having returned a verdict of guilty.

VOLUNTEER NOTES.

ARTILLERY COMPANIES. Parade at Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Monday, 1st March; Tuesday, 2nd; Wednesday, 3rd; and Friday, 5th, 1 and 2 Companies for 2.50 gun drill, and 3 and 4 Companies for 8 Howitzer gun drill.

The Inspector General of Garrison Artillery will inspect the Artillery Companies at drill at Headquarters on March 8th. It is hoped therefore that all officers and men will attend drills regularly during the week prior to inspection.

ENGINEER COMPANY. Parade at Quarry Bay at 5.30 p.m. on Thursday, 4th March for 5 Howitzer drill.

ENGINEER COMPANY. Parade at West Fort, Kowloon, at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, 3rd March, for technical instructions.

INFANTRY COMPANY. Parade at Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Monday, 1st March, for Company drill, and on Wednesday, 3rd, and Friday, 5th March, for Maxim gun drill.

CHURCH PARADE AT UNION CHURCH. Parade at headquarters at 10.15 a.m. on Sunday 7th March. Dress, serge uniform, halberd with badge, belts and side arms. Black boots to be worn.

MUNICIPALITY COURSE. At King's Park Range at 2 p.m. on Sunday, 7th March, for all members of Artillery Companies and all members of Engineer and Infantry Companies who have not fired Part I. Officers commanding units to see to it that all their men who have not completed Part I attend on this occasion.

JOINED. Mr S. E. Jones joined the Corps on the 10th February, 1909, assigned Corps No. 1076 and posted to No 4 Company.

RESIGNED. Lance-Corporal R. Thomas is permitted to resign, on leaving the Colony, with effect from the 15th instant.

NEW CHAPLAIN'S HOUSE AT KOWLOON.

A very interesting event in connection with St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, took place on Tuesday evening when a Chaplain's residence, through the munificence of Sir Paul Chater, was presented to the parishioners. Mr Bryer, the architect, in the regrettable absence of the donor through slight indisposition made the presentation and addressing Bishop Lander, concluded: "Right Rev. Father in God, in the name and on behalf of the donor of this building and the people of this place I request you to receive this house which has been erected as a dwelling place for the minister of St. Andrew's Church."

Bishop Lander then blessed the building and concluded with the Benediction. The party then adjourned to the Kowloon School where an enjoyable musical programme was given.

Bishop Lander said that he could congratulate Kowloon on having such a benefactor as Sir Paul Chater. His latest gift was the most beautiful house they had had the pleasure of inspecting. They all sincerely regretted that the generous donor was not with them that evening and he suggested that a message of sympathy be sent to him. He referred to the coming of the new chaplain, who was, at the request of the vestry, to be accompanied by his sister, it being considered that such a charming house would be incomplete without a lady at its head. Referring to the people of Kowloon being at present like sheep without a shepherd, he praised the willingness with which the local clergy had consented to fill the pulpit and made special reference to the Rev. F. T. Johnson, who not only undertook the week-day services but attended the sick during the day and the night.

The Church was to be congratulated on having seven earnest men on the vestry. The Church was now endowed, he said, and it behooved everyone to put their shoulder to the wheel and help. (Applause.) Captain Wyllie pointed out the financial position and said a sum of \$5,000 a year was required and, with the Church now on a proper footing, there should not be much difficulty in raising that amount. The new building is in Gothic style, erected in the Church compound on the ground originally granted by the Government for the purposes of the Church and is in complete harmony with the surroundings. It comprises on the ground floor drawing and dining room and a study and on the upper story three bedrooms and a sitting room. In addition to the actual building Sir Paul Chater has provided all the necessary fittings, the heavy furniture, carpets, etc., all of which are in keeping with the rooms to which they have been allocated. A tennis lawn is also laid out and a feature of the exterior of the edifice is a large arched porch the following inscription appears: "This house was erected and presented to the Colony by Sir Paul Chater, B.M.G. 23rd February, 1909." The building, apart from the furniture, etc., cost \$16,000 and Messrs Leigh and Orange were the architects.

LIFE.

Vocation. Education. Spoilation. Domination. Qualification. Plantation. Transportation.

THE REV. WILLIAM S. AMERY, D.D., who came to China as a missionary of the American Board in 1877 and spent most of his life in Peking, died in the Lane Hospital, San Francisco, Jan. 2. An Ament played a conspicuous part during and after the siege of the Legation.

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AUCTION OF RACE PONIES.

The annual auction of Race Ponies was held this afternoon outside the City Hall by Messrs Hughes and Hough.

The following were the principal prices obtained:—
Little Dot Rose, ... \$160
Bankia Rose, ... 110
Buckskin, ... 240
Pugitive II, ... 150
Seafarer, ... 480
Strathdallas, ... 250
Double Zero, ... 120
Jedite, ... 220
Gunduck, ... 250
Swan, ... 80

REVIEWS.

Syrinx, by LAURENCE NORTH. London, Mr Wm. Heinemann.

This is, we believe, the first novel that has come from the pen of Laurence North, and we heartily congratulate the writer on the production of such a clever book. It is not only clever in construction but it is saturated with scholarship, a rare combination in latter day novels, while its literary flavour is of fine vintage. Julia Herrick, the heroine, is a girl of no common clay. In the opinion of a man who loved the very ground on which she trod she was a strange revival, a reincarnation of Greece in its best days, an Aspasia of the Renaissance. Having passed through the Oxford schools with distinction she had become an authority on ancient Greek texts and thus was peculiarly fitted to be the literary assistant of a learned antiquarian, while her hours of leisure were spent in the society of a chosen band known as the Polite Outcasts, artists, musicians, sculptors, and women who dabbled in the Fine Arts and who loved to think they were a trifle in advance of the intellectual development of the age. Among them all she was a dominating figure, her intellect being of the brightest, her learning the more solid. A descendant, if you will, she yet knew naught of surrender to any of lower passions, and though she had in the eyes of the Philistines worn the shining robe of conventionality to the barest thread, it was still sufficient protection for her self-reliant nature against the rough places of a solitary woman fighting for her own hand as to encounter in the course of life. Once or twice she was sorely tempted to pluck the fruit of desire which dangled so temptingly before her; to surrender herself for the joy of one glorious hour. A decadent artist, one Maurice Laleham, an aristocrat to the finger tips, almost persuaded her to let him lead her into the arms of the easy code of the Quarter Latin, but she hesitated and Laleham like a gentleman offered himself and left her unharmed. Seward, the sculptor, a man of scarier fibre, for a time held the mastery of her imagination and as a result, he immortalised her in Parian marble as Syrinx, the sorrow-bent nymph of the vale of Ida. According to an enthusiastic critic this statue was a most wonderful harmony of the classical and the modern spirit. The artist has sounded the trumpet of the ages. Here is the youth and freshness of Arcturion, here also the sad and stern of to-day. This elusive Syrinx is still a very woman, a woman to whom increase of knowledge has brought increase of sorrow, and although as we look at her we seem to hear the cries of the soul-footed gods we hear also the melancholy undertone of the latter-day poet's Ballad of Burden. No wonder that Robert Akenside, clever Helmsley though he was, could not understand her. He loved the glories of the past, but the strain of his old covenanting forefathers ever opposed a barrier preventing that perfect understanding which would have been essential to their happiness as married lovers. Not for him, nor for Laleham, nor for Seward, was this rare exotic flower; it was finally plucked by a man of far different temperament to any of the three, but who the fortunate lover and husband was we leave the reader to discover on the last page of the book. An uncommon book, uncommonly well written, we sincerely hope that its very cleverness, subtle analysis of elusive womanhood, and unflinching dissection of human character generally will not choke off intending readers, and we reserve every success and a wide circulation.

The Studio, for January. Some very pleasing coloured reproductions of pictures by Henri Harpignies, the veteran painter of Central France, appear in the January number of the Studio, together with an appreciative article upon his life and work by Henri Franck. Two hitherto unpublished crayon drawings by the late Phil May will be eagerly welcomed by his countless admirers. Other colourwork in the number include painting by Frank Brangwyn, Adolphe Herrier and L. O. Pasternak. The great advance in the art of domestic architecture made during the past quarter of a century is illustrated in some capital examples of Mr Edwin Lutyens' work. Along the same line will be found twelve illustrations for a country cottage, which are very attractive. An illustrated article on the Dutch painter Bernard de Hoog, an illuminating appreciation of George Elmer Browne, Art Notes, Studio Guide, etc., go to make up another very attractive number.

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LONDON LETTER.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

LONDON, January 27. On Thursday at Albany Villas, Hove, there died Major M. L. Corbet Berger, second in command of the 68th Punjabis, Indian Army, and of the late Hongkong Regiment, eldest son of Major General E. A. Berger, late 2nd Lincoln Regiment, (Tenth Foot). He was forty-one years of age and had been residing at Hove for some time. His body has been interred at Perivale, near Ealing.

Another premature death of one who has had considerable Eastern experience is that of Mr James E. Clark, eldest son of the late Mr James E. Clark, formerly of Java. He was only thirty-eight years old but caught pleurisy and died very rapidly at Ramsgate.

Sir Robert Hart is still being entertained lavishly as the lion of the season. At Manchester the chief item of interest in his speech was his statement that "Opium in China is doomed. Both Government and public opinion are against it, and the new generation will have no opium smokers. The growth of the general trade will make up for the loss of opium revenue, and not only will the country be freed from the thought-mare of the opium habit, but foreign intercourse will be freed from an objection and an obstacle."

As he was the guest of the Manchester Chamber of Commerce, Sir Robert was at length on the Eastern trade. Encouragement blended with warning was the keynote of the speech. He held that the British merchant in China still held his own; but he warned his hearers that Japan, by her nearness to China, her cheaper labour and her perseverance, would be a more and more formidable rival to European commerce.

Again in London, Sir Robert became the guest of the Ulster Association, before whose members he displayed himself as a true Ulsterman, with all the traditional attachment to the union with England.

The dinner was held on Chinese New Year's Day and the day also, as speakers pointed out, marked the commencement of new reforms in the Chinese Postal Service, for which Sir Robert has long laboured.

Sir Robert dealt hardly at all with the Far East, but gave his delighted hearers a number of reminiscences of Ireland and comments on events, winding up with a piece of poetry descriptive of the beauties of his native land that was recited with evident feeling and acclaimed by the Ulster patriots with tremendous enthusiasm.

Sir Robert told his audience that among his cosmopolitan staff connected with the Imperial Maritime Customs of China he had many Irishmen, several of them from Ulster, and he could say that they not only satisfied their chief but did credit to their country.

The genius of the Irish for ruling was happily instanced by the recollection that at one particular period there was an Ulster Governor-General of India, an Ulster Governor of Singapore, an Ulster British Minister in Peking, an Ulster General commanding the forces at Hongkong, an Ulster Admiral commanding the fleet, and he himself, an Ulster man, controlling the Imperial Maritime Customs of China.

Sir Robert said he was a true Irishman, but he was also a Briton and he was strongly for the maintenance of the union with England, for without it the Irish nation would lack that sympathy with which English people now approached Irish difficulties.

Sir Robert is now paying a visit to Wakefield. Altogether he is one of the most active men in the kingdom, and it is generally agreed with him, for I saw him the other day looking far better than when he last reached our shores.

Cupid had stalked the secretary to the China Association, Mr Chaloner Grenville Alabaster. He is, as some of your readers probably know, the second son of the late Sir Chaloner Alabaster, K.C.M.G., for some time British Consul-General at Canton, and of Lady Alabaster of Dillam, Roscombe, on the south coast. He is a barrister and was prominent lately as the successful defender of a soldier, who was accused of the murder of a girl under the residence of Lady Alabaster.

The lady who is to be the bride is Miss Isabel Winifred May Mainwaring, fourth daughter of Colonel E. P. Mainwaring, late of the Indian Army, and Mrs Mainwaring of Bournemouth and Milford-on-Sea, Hampshire. The marriage bells will ring out at the end of February.

The newspapers are making a good deal of fuss about the special mission to this country of Tang Shao-yi, after his stay in the United States. He arrived last night. His knowledge of English is making him a favourite with those he meets and he is calculated to tell some good results. His mission is said to be to re-assure British investors as to the soundness of Chinese finances and the scope of her new enterprises, and also to discuss with the British and other authorities various commercial trading matters that are creating, or threaten to create, disputes in the Far East in the future. He wants to arrive at some basis of common agreement that will facilitate an easy settlement of differences as they arise and thereby permit commercial relations with foreign nations to pursue a placid course of development.

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Y. M. C. A. PARLIAMENT.

The Question of Unemployment.

A good and interesting debate was held on Tuesday evening at the Y. M. C. A. Parliament when Mr J. W. Troakes introduced a motion in committee with regard to the causes of unemployment and the want of employment. Captain F. A. Brown, Messrs R. A. Lowery and Embury also dealt with the subject in an able manner.

A business meeting of the society was also held under the presidency of Mr J. L. MacPherson. A letter was received from Mr S. Kingebury, who has recently returned to Australia, resigning his position as president and it was agreed that a letter thanking him for his past services be forwarded to him. Captain F. A. Brown was unanimously elected as president.

An inter-debate at the Y.M.C.A. Rooms has been arranged with the Union Church Literary Club for March when the subject will deal with the Asiatic emigration in respect to the Colonies. The Union Church Literary Club will take the affirmative side and the Y.M.C.A. the negative. Captain Brown and Mr E. E. Cobby being appointed to represent the Y.M.C.A. The debate will be public and all are invited.

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HOME FINANCES.

OLD AGE PENSIONS AND THE UNEMPLOYED.

(Exclusive Service supplied by Reuters, via Bombay.)

LONDON, February 23.

The Government's supplementary estimates amount to £1,104,015, and include £210,000 for Old Age Pensions (making a total of £2,100,000 to be raised for this purpose in the last quarter of the financial year) and a further sum of £100,000 for the unemployed.

TAUNTON BY-ELECTION.

UNIONIST VICTORY.

(Exclusive Service supplied by Reuters, via Bombay.)

LONDON, February 23.

Polling in the Taunton by-election, caused by the resignation of Sir Edward Boyle, K.C. (C.), has resulted as follows:—

Peel (U.) ... 1,976
Smith (Lab.) ... 1,085

[Note.—At the General Election the figures were:—Sir E. Boyle (C.), 1,842; Mr A. Ponsonby (L.), 1,503.]

A SHANGHAI SENSATION.

SUICIDE OF WELL-KNOWN MERCHANT.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

SHANGHAI, February 24.

Mr William Hoffmann, principal of the firm of William Hoffmann and Co., merchants and commission agents, has committed suicide by shooting himself.

THE CHINESE NAVY.

(Wah Tat Yat Po's Service.)

PEKING, February 23.

It is said that Prince Su will be appointed to reorganize the Navy and will be allowed to take up no other work, Prince Yu Lung succeeding him as President of the Board of the Interior.

The Censorate suggests that all Viceroys and Governors be directed to open Navy Reorganization Subscription lists in all the provinces.

A QUESTION OF PUBLIC MORALS.

(Wah Tat Yat Po's Service.)

PEKING, February 23.

Wong Ching-wan, Councillor of the Board of Civil Establishments, having reported that the newly laid out Park in Peking is frequented by numbers of both sexes to the detriment of national customs, an Imperial Rescript has been issued ordering the Board of the Interior to strictly forbid the practice.

THE EMPEROR'S EDUCATION.

(Wah Tat Yat Po's Service.)

PEKING, February 23.

The Prince Regent has directed H.E. Chang Chih-tung that the Young Emperor's studies must be in accordance with the methods recently approved by the Board of Education, the old ways being discarded.

TO REDUCE LIKIN.

(Wah Tat Yat Po's Service.)

PEKING, February 23.

The Board of Foreign Affairs has presented to the Throne a memorial by H.E. Tang Shao-yi in which he urges an increase of taxation and a decrease in the likin dues.

ITEMS AT THE COURTS.

For unlawfully anchoring their boats within the limits of the Southern Fairway two boatmen were fined \$10 each, at the Marine Court, to-day.

Three boatmen were fined \$10 each for failing to keep the yules of their boats out of the water, while, for a similar offence nineteen had to pay a fine of \$45 amongst them.

Eleven masters of launches were charged at the Marine Court, to-day, with lying alongside Observation Street wharf, and ten were fined \$10 each and one \$15, by Commander Basil Taylor, R.N.

The case in which C. J. Merchant, a Parson, was charged with embezzlement at Manila, and which has since been altered to an allegation of larceny while bailor, again came on at the Magistrate's Court. After hearing further evidence, the case was adjourned.

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ROBBERY WITH VIOLENCE.

At the Criminal Sessions, this morning, the Chief Justice, Sir Francis Pigott, sentenced Lai Yau, Lai Hing, Ho Shiu Ching, Leung Ching and Cheung Kwai, who were charged with armed robbery with violence, to five years' hard labour each, the first to receive twelve strokes and the other four twenty-four strokes, the jury having returned a verdict of guilty.

VOLUNTEER NOTES.

ARTILLERY COMPANIES.
Parade at Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Monday, 1st March; Tuesday, 2nd; Wednesday, 3rd; and Friday, 5th. 1 and 2 Companies for 2.56 gun drill, and 3 and 4 Companies for 5" Howitzer gun drill.

The Inspector General of Garrison Artillery will inspect the Artillery Companies at drill at Headquarters on March 8th. It is hoped therefore that all officers and men will attend drills regularly during the week prior to inspection.

TARGET DETACHMENT.
Parade at Quarry Bay at 5.30 p.m. on Thursday, 4th March for 5" Howitzer drill.

ENGINEER COMPANY.
Parade at West Fort, Kowloon, at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, 3rd March, for technical instructions.

INFANTRY COMPANY.
Parade at Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Monday, 1st March, for Company drill, and on Wednesday, 3rd, and Friday, 5th March, for Maxim gun drill.

CHURCH PARADE AT UNION CHURCH.
Parade at headquarters at 10.15 a.m. on Sunday 7th March. Dress, serge uniform, helmet with badge, bolts and side arms. Black boots to be worn.

MURDER COURSE.
At King's Park Range at 2 p.m. on Sunday, 7th March, for all members of Artillery Companies and all members of Engineer and Infantry Companies who have not fired Part I. Officers commanding units to see to it that all their men who have not completed Part I attend on this occasion.

JOINED.
Mr S. R. Jones joined the Corps on the 10th February, 1909, assigned Corps No. 1076 and posted to No 4 Company.

RESIGNED.
Lance-Corporal R. Thomas is permitted to resign, on leaving the Colony, with effect from the 19th instant.

NEW CHAPLAIN'S HOUSE AT KOWLOON.

A very interesting event in connection with St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, took place on Tuesday evening when a Chaplain's residence, through the munificence of Sir Paul Chater, was presented to the parishioners. Mr. Bryer, the architect, in the regrettable absence of the donor through slight indisposition made the presentation and addressing Bishop Lander, concluded: "Right Rev. Father in God, in the name and on behalf of the donor of this building and the people of this place I request you to receive this house which has been erected as a dwelling place for the minister of St. Andrew's Church."

Bishop Lander then blessed the building and concluded with the Benediction. The party then adjourned to the Kowloon School where an enjoyable musical programme was given.

Bishop Lander said that he could congratulate Kowloon on having such a benefactor as Sir Paul Chater. His latest gift was the most beautiful house they had had the pleasure of inspecting. They all sincerely regretted that the generous donor was not with them that evening and he suggested that a message of sympathy be sent to him. He referred to the coming of the new chaplain, who was, at the request of the vestry, to be accompanied by his sister, it being considered that such a charming house would be incomplete without a lady at its head. Referring to the people of Kowloon being so present like sleep without a shepherd, he praised the willingness with which the local clergy had consented to fill the pulpit and made special reference to the Rev. F. T. Johnson, who not only undertook the week-day services but attended the sick during the day and the night. The Church was to be congratulated on having never earned more on the vestry. The Church was now endowed, he said, and it behooved everyone to put their shoulder to the wheel and help. (Applause.)

Captain Fielder pointed out the municipal position and said a sum of \$6,000 a year was required and, with the Church now on a proper footing, there should not be much difficulty in raising that amount.

The new building is in Gothic style, erected in the Church compound on the ground originally granted by the Government for the purposes of the Church and is in complete harmony with the surroundings. It comprises on the ground floor drawing and dining rooms and a study and on the upper story three bedrooms and a sitting room. In addition to the actual building Sir Paul Chater has provided all the necessary fittings, the heavy furniture, carpets, etc., all of which are in keeping with the rooms to which they have been allocated. A tennis lawn is also laid out and a feature of the exterior of the edifice is a large stone on which the following inscription appears: "This house is erected and presented to the Colony by Sir Paul Chater, B.M. 3, 23rd February, 1909." The building, apart from the furniture, etc., cost \$15,000 and Messrs Leigh and Orange were the architects.

LIFE.

Veteration.
Liquorism.
Mortification.
Education.
Spoliation.
Oscillation.
Domestication.
Self-indulgence.
Punishment.

THE SHIELD, for January.

Some very pleasing colour reproductions of pictures by Henri Harpignies, the veteran painter of Central France, appear in the January number of the *Shield*, together with an appreciative article upon his life and work by Henri Frantz. Two hitherto unpublished etching drawings by the late Phil May will be eagerly welcomed by his countless admirers. Other colourwork in the number includes painting by Frank Brangwyn, Adolphe Rivier and L. O. Pasternak. The great advance in the art of domestic architecture made during the past quarter of a century is illustrated in some capital examples of Mr. Edwin Lutyens's work. Along the same line will be found twelve illustrations for a country cottage, which are very attractive. An illustrated article on the Dutch painter Bernard de Geest, Elmer Brown, Art Notes, Studio Gossip, etc., go to make up another very attractive number.

The Rev. William S. Ament, D.D., who came to China as a missionary of the American Board in 1877 and spent most of his time in Peking, died in the Lane Hospital, San Francisco, on Jan. 6. Dr. Ament played a conspicuous part during and after the siege of the Legation.

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AUCTION OF RACE PONIES.

The annual auction of Race Ponies was held this afternoon outside the City Hall by Messrs Hughes and Hough.

The following were the principal prices obtained:—

Little Dot Rose, ... \$100
Banksia Rose, ... 110
Backstay, ... 140
Fugitive II, ... 150
Seafarer, ... 180
Strathdallas, ... 250
Double Zero, ... 130
Desire, ... 125
Gunduck, ... 230
Swan, ... 80

REVIEWS.

Syrinx, by LAURENCE NORTH. London, Mr Wm. Heinemann.

This is, we believe, the first novel that has come from the pen of Laurence North and we heartily congratulate the writer on the production of such a clever book. It is not only clever in construction but it is saturated with scholarship, a rare combination in latter day novels, while its literary flavour is of fine vintage. Julia Horrick, the heroine, is a girl of no common clay. In the opinion of a man who loved the very ground on which she trod she was a strange revival, a reincarnation of Greece in its best days, an Aspasia of the Renaissance. Having passed through the Oxford schools with distinction she had become an authority on ancient Greek texts and thus was peculiarly fitted to be the literary assistant of a learned antiquarian, while her hours of leisure were spent in the society of a chosen band known as the Polite Outcasts, artists, musicians, sculptors, and women who dabbled in the Fine Arts and who loved to think they were a trifle in advance of the intellectual development of the age. Among them all she was a dominating figure, her intellect being of the brightest, her heart the more solid. A descendant, if you will, she yet knew naught of surrender to any of lower passions, and though she had in the eyes of the Philistines worn the shattering robe of conventionality she was in her heart still a self-reliant nature against the rough places which a solitary woman fighting for her own hand has to encounter in the course of life. Once or twice she was sorely tempted to pluck the fruit of desire which dangled so temptingly before her; to surrender herself for the joy of one glorious hour. A decadent artist, one Maurice Laleham, an aristocrat to the finger tips, almost persuaded her to let her life in his hands, but she hesitated and Laleham like a gentleman effaced himself and left her unharmed. Soward, the sculptor, a man of coarser fibre, for a time held the mastery of her imagination and as a result her mortalised her in Parisian marble as *Syrinx*, the sorely beset nymph of the vale of Ida. According to an enthusiastic critic this statue was a most wonderful harmony of the classical and romantic spirit. He wrote: "This girl who lived and died, certainly an immortal, yet in a very poignant and terrible sense a mortal also. Here is the youth and freshness of Arcturion, here also the sadness and the dream of the old woman. *Syrinx* is still a very woman, a woman to whom increase of knowledge has brought increase of sorrow, and although we look at her we seem to hear the pipes of the wind and the cry of the sea, the scorching heat of the sun and the cold of the winter night. The artist has sounded the gamut of the ages. Here is the youth and freshness of Arcturion, here also the sadness and the dream of the old woman. *Syrinx* is still a very woman, a woman to whom increase of knowledge has brought increase of sorrow, and although we look at her we seem to hear the pipes of the wind and the cry of the sea, the scorching heat of the sun and the cold of the winter night. The artist has sounded the gamut of the ages. 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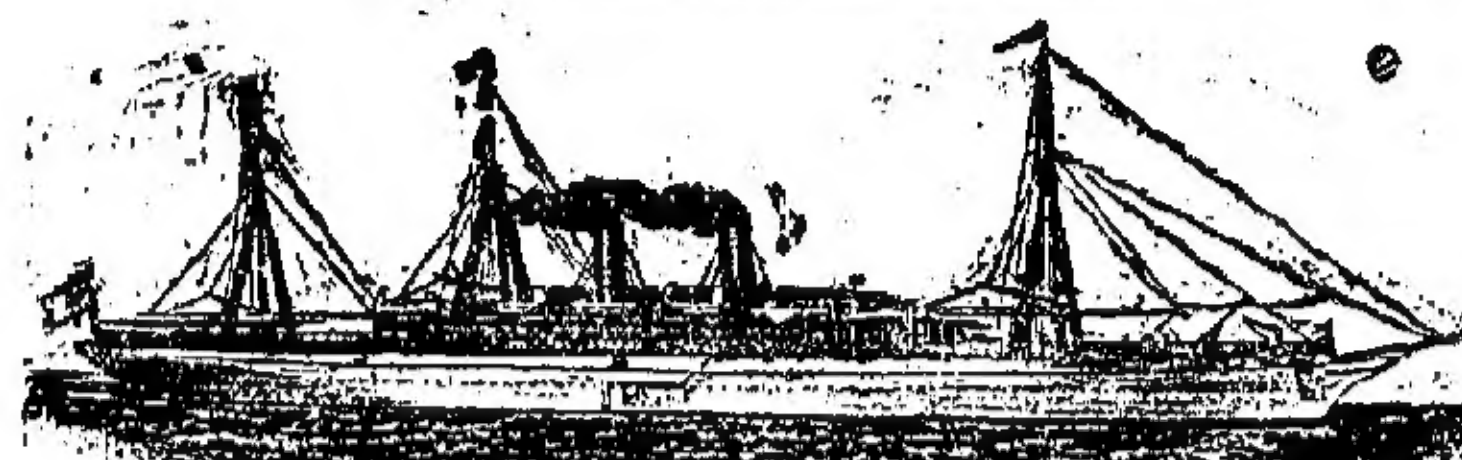
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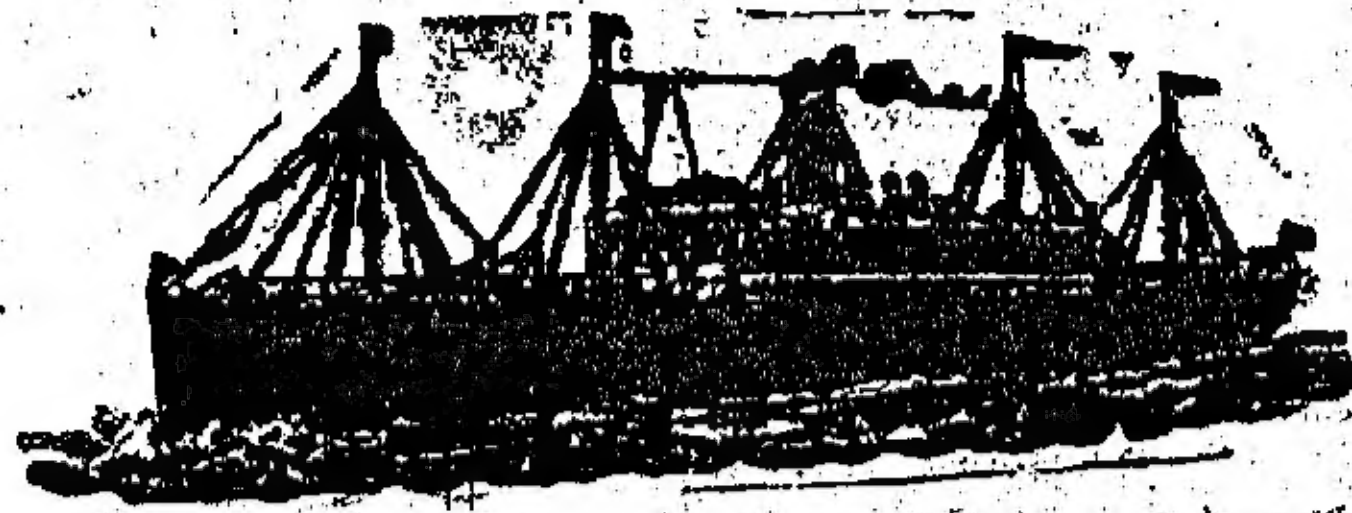
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